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RE: MUR 6440
Frank Guinta
Friends of Frank Guinta
Bradley T. Crate in his official capacity as treasurer
Richard Guinta
Magdalene Virginia Guinta

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

On August 30, 2011, the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that Frank Guinta violated 2 U.S.C. § 441f and Friends of Frank Guinta and its treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b) and 441a(f), provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"), and instituted an investigation. At your request, on December 9, 2014, the Commission determined to enter into negotiations directed towards reaching a conciliation agreement in settlement of this matter prior to a finding of probable cause to believe. Also on December 9, 2014, the Commission determined to take no action with respect to Richard Guinta and Magdalene Virginia Guinta and closed the file as to them. The Commission cautions Richard Guinta and Magdalene Virginia Guinta to take steps to ensure that their conduct is in compliance with the Act and the Commission's regulations, specifically, the contribution limits at 52 U.S.C. § 30116(a)(1)(A) (formerly 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1)(A)), which during the 2010 election cycle at issue in this matter limited contributions to candidates and their authorized committees to \$2,400 per election, and the prohibition against making a contribution in the name of another at 52 U.S.C. § 30122 (formerly 2 U.S.C. § 441f).

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